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Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed on 8/05/2008 have been considered but are not persuasive. With respect to applicant's arguments that Yagi discloses that the rotation of the diffraction grating is interlocked with the correction means, and that the correction means is only defined as a correction lens, this argument is not persuasive for the following reasons. Yagi discloses that the correction means is a correction lens that is operable to move in an optical axis direction in order to compensate for the difference in thickness of the recording medium (see Yagi, col. 61 lines 12-19). As further evidence that the cylinder of Yagi is movable in both the optical axis and rotatable, Yagi claims 1 and 5 disclose movement of "moving means" in the optical axis direction (claim 1) and pivotal movement about an optical axis (claim 5). Applicant's arguments regarding the disclosure of Yagi in example 25 is not relevant since that example alone is not relied on by the examiner to disclose the claimed subject matter.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to TAWFIK GOMA whose telephone number is (571)272-4206. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

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